

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks presented herein.

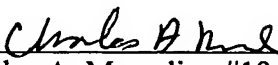
The claims in the application are claims 35, 37 to 39, 41 and 49 to 51, all other claims having been cancelled. Claims 50 and 51 are directed to the compound of Example 11 as claim 43 was inadvertently presented. Claim 35 has been amended to delete the second "or alkyl" and to include -- alkyl -- in the definition of R^1 and R^2 to provide support for claim 39.

Applicants are submitting herewith a terminal disclaimer with respect to patent application Serial No. 10/333,556 to obviate the obviousness double patenting rejection.

Cancellation of claim 43 obviates the various rejections thereof.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the above remarks, it is believed that the claims point out Applicants' patentable contribution. Therefore, favorable reconsideration of the application is requested.

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